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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This response is to the Office Action mailed February 5, 2007. Claims 1-64 have been restricted under 35 U.S.C. § 121 as follows:

- I. Claims 1-8, 18-25, 35-41, and 47-54, drawn to a method of verifying security of boot code and permitting execution dependent upon the verification classified in class 713.
- II. Claims 9-17, 26-34, 42-46, and 55-64, drawn to a method of generating boot code for a peripheral device and generating a certificate that describes the operation of the boot code, classified in class 726.

Applicants hereby elect Group I with traverse.

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